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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to suspension or revocation of hunting and fishing licenses and permits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section _____. (a) On or about the fifteenth day of each month, magistrates or clerks of general sessions and other courts shall make a detailed report of all persons who failed to pay any fines imposed pursuant to this title during the previous calendar month, this report to be made on forms provided by the Tennessee wildlife resources agency.

(b) Upon receipt of such report, the wildlife resources agency shall issue, by regular mail to each person described in such report at such person's last known address, a notice of intent to suspend the license or permit of such person in thirty (30) days.

(c) Upon request of such person within thirty (30) days of the sending of such notification, the agency shall provide the person an opportunity for a hearing to show

that such person, has in fact, paid all fines that have been imposed. Failure to make such request within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification shall, without exception, constitute a waiver of such right.

(d) Upon failure to request a hearing, waiver of a hearing, or determination of fault at the hearing, the agency shall suspend the person's license or permit pending full payment of all fines imposed pursuant to this title.

(e) The Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in Title 4, Chapter 5, applies to the extent it is consistent with proceedings under this section.

(f) A person who fails to pay any fine imposed pursuant to this title shall not be eligible to obtain a new license or permit.

(g) The Tennessee wildlife resources commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to Title 4, Chapter 5, to implement the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of promulgating rules and regulations, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect on January 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.